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Docket: 0756-2027

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.  
Serial No. 09/396,381  
Filed: September 15, 1999  
For: APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING  
COATING AND METHOD OF  
FABRICATING THE COATING

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) Group Art Unit: 2811  
) Examiner: F. ABRAHAM  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time in  
the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small/Large Entity Rate	Fee
Total	360	Minus	312	48	x \$9/\$18	\$864.00
Indep.	48	Minus	48	0	x \$39/\$78	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$130/\$260	\$0.00
TOTAL						\$864.00

[ X ] A check in the amount of \$1734.00 to cover the additional claims and  
the three (3) month extension fee is enclosed.

[ X ] In the event applicant(s) has overlooked the need for any petition to  
effect the entry of the documents submitted herewith, it is respectfully  
requested that this be treated as such petition and that any necessary  
fees associated with this petition be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-  
2380.

- [ X ] In the event applicant(s) has overlooked the need for any petition and fee for extension of time, and such extension is required, applicant(s) requests that this be considered a petition therefor and that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.
- [ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for operating an [optical] optically recordable disk memory comprising the steps of:
- introducing an optical disk having a surface protected by a protective film comprising a hard-carbon coating having a thickness of 500Å or less;

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